

# Online Tools for Teachers

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# Doodle

[www.doodle.com](http://www.doodle.com)

- Online event scheduler
- Easy to create & use
- Includes calendar integration
- Free

# Poll Everywhere

[www.polleverywhere.com](http://www.polleverywhere.com)

- Free interactive social assessment
- Respond by texting on a cell phone
- Increase classroom participation and attentiveness
- Encourage risk-taking with anonymous student responses
- Gauge student comprehension of material immediately
- Grab students with thought-provoking opening questions
- Assess last night's reading with a quick quiz
- Free

# Today's Meet

[www.todaysmeet.com](http://www.todaysmeet.com)

- Create a chatroom on the fly without logins.
- Encourage students to use the live stream to:
  - make comments,
  - ask questions
  - use feedback to tailor your presentation
  - address student needs
- Free

# TitanPad

<http://titanpad.com/>

- People work on one document simultaneously
- Chat on the side while you work
- Export document as Microsoft Word doc, PDF, or other types
- Free

# TrackStar

<http://trackstar.4teachers.org>

- Organize websites and provide directions or comments for each website
- Eliminates need for students to type URLs
- Can create own TrackStar activity
- Search the database by subject, grade, or theme and standard
- Free
- [\*Camino de Santiago example\*](#)

# QuizStar

<http://quizstar.4teachers.org>

- Web-based quiz maker that enables you to create, administer and automatically grade your quizzes online
- With QuizStar you can:
  - Manage classes and quizzes
  - Attach multimedia files to questions
  - Make quizzes in multiple languages
  - Access from any Internet-connected computer
  - Allow students to complete and review
- Free

# RubiStar

<http://rubistar.4teachers.org>

- Create rubrics for project-based learning activities
- Use pre-existing categories or create your own
- Create, save and edit online
- Print, download, or make available online
- Free



# 4Teachers.org

<http://4teachers.org>

- Website with a variety of tools and resources to help teachers integrate technology
- The site includes ready-to-use Web lessons, quizzes, rubrics and classroom calendars
- There are tools for student use
- Also, professional development resources are available
- Includes: TrackStar, QuizStar, RubiStar and many others

# Teacher Tube

[www.teachertube.com](http://www.teachertube.com)

- Similar to YouTube, it is an online community for sharing instructional videos
- Professional development videos and videos to use in the classroom with students
- Upload, tag and share videos worldwide
- Upload support files to attach your educational activities, assessments, lesson plans, notes, etc.
- Make videos public or private
- Free

Also, check out Kids Tube ([www.kidstube.com](http://www.kidstube.com))!

# Random Name Picker

[http://classtools.net/main\\_area/template\\_loader.php/?fruit\\_machine](http://classtools.net/main_area/template_loader.php/?fruit_machine)

- Uses slot machine interface to choose a name from a list
- Put in a class list and use this to randomly call on students in class
- Put in a list of keywords and use it as a game or quiz tool
- Save or embed the file
- Free

# Online Stopwatch

[www.online-stopwatch.com](http://www.online-stopwatch.com)

- Large-screen stopwatch or countdown clock
- Variety of timers
- Free

# Vocaroo

<http://vocaroo.com>

- Online voice recorder
- Can email or embed recordings
- Free

# Quizlet

<http://quizlet.com/>

- Create (or use others) flashcards
- Add images & audio
- Use several study modes including multiple choice tests and study games
- Free
- *Example:* [www.quizlet.com/fhsspanish1b](http://www.quizlet.com/fhsspanish1b)

# Jam Studio

[www.jamstudio.com](http://www.jamstudio.com)

- Create your own music.
- Variety of chords, beats, tempos, sounds, etc.
- Easy to use
- Free (for educators)

# TweenTribune / TeenTribune

<http://tweentribune.com/>

<http://tweentribune.com/teen>

- Daily news sites for teens & tweens
- Students can comment on stories
- Teachers can create classes to read & approve comments before they are published
- Free



# The Week in Rap

<http://theweekinrap.com/>

- A week's worth of news, rapped
- New every Friday
- Free

# Animoto

<http://animoto.com>

- Create photo & video slideshows
- Free for educators

# Screencast-O-Matic

<http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/>

- Online screen recorder
- Record your computer screen or with a webcam
- Upload to Screencast-O-Matic site, YouTube, or save as video mp4 file
- Free

Tagxedo <http://www.tagxedo.com/>

Wordle <http://www.wordle.net/>

- Create a word cloud
- Words individually sized appropriately to highlight the frequencies of occurrence within the body of text
- Free

# BibMe

[www.bibme.org](http://www.bibme.org)

- Organizational tool
- Citation builder
- Help with bibliographies
- Free

# SweetSearch

<http://www.sweetsearch.com/>

- Search engine for students
- Searches only credible Web sites approved by Internet research experts
- Free

# Wolfram Alpha

<http://www.wolframalpha.com/>

- Computational knowledge engine
- [Find out more about it!](#)
- Free

# Goofram

<http://www.goofram.com/>

- Search Google & Wolfram Alpha at the same time
- Free



# Fotopedia

<http://www.fotopedia.com/>

- Fotopedia is the first collaborative photo encyclopedia
- Anyone can join the community and help build the encyclopedia.
- Free

# Zooburst

<http://www.zooburst.com/>

- Digital storytelling tool that lets anyone easily create his or her own 3D pop-up books
- Free

# Google Translator

[www.translate.google.com](http://www.translate.google.com)

- Translate text, webpages and documents
- Translations in 67 languages
- Also includes audio for translations
- Free

# Study Stack

[www.studystack.com](http://www.studystack.com)

- Find flashcards to study or create your own
- Study flashcards or use the other activities such as matching, crosswords, hangman, scrambled word, or bug chase
- Study flashcards anytime/anywhere by printing your flashcards or by using a flashcard app
- Available for a variety of subjects
- Free

# Survey Monkey

[www.surveymonkey.com](http://www.surveymonkey.com)

- Create & administer free online surveys
- Variety of question types
- Have data results analyzed for you
- Free

# PowerPoint Game Templates

<http://jc-schools.net/tutorials/ppt-games/>

- Free

# Blogs

<http://edublogs.org> / <http://kidblog.org> / [www.blogger.com](http://www.blogger.com)

- Edublogs is for educators (Farmington has a subscription)
- Kidblog is for kids
- Blogger from Google (requires free Google account)
- Use the blog as a webpage to keep students and parents informed
- Post audio & video to your blog
- Post information and questions and have students respond
- Have students keep their own blog and comment on each other's writing
- Free
- Example: [Farmington Civics Blog](#)

# Wikis

[www.wikispaces.com](http://www.wikispaces.com) / [www.pbwiki.com](http://www.pbwiki.com)

- Foster student collaboration, communicate with parents, and organize school resources
- Upload files and images
- Email notifications
- Set your own permissions to ensure privacy
- Free

<http://192techacademy.wikispaces.com/>



# Quia

[www.quia.com](http://www.quia.com)

- Create your own educational games, quizzes, class Web pages, and surveys
- Customizable to an individual teacher's curriculum
- Copy/modify activities that other educators have made
- Create class pages for communicating with students
- Maintain an online schedule and calendar
- Upload images and audio clips
- Put on the web for you by Quia

# Quia

[www.quia.com](http://www.quia.com)

- 16 types of games and learning activities are available:
  - matching, flash cards, patterns, pop ups, concentration, cloze activity, word-search puzzle, Jeopardy, jumbled words, Who wants to be a millionaire?, ordered lists, scavenger hunt, picture perfect, battleship, hangman, columns matching
- Create quizzes with 8 types of questions:
  - Multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, true-false, initial answer, pop-up multiple choice, short answer, multiple correct, essay
- Create surveys with 7 types of questions:
  - Multiple choice, yes-no, pop-up, multiple choice, ranking
- Costs \$49 per year to create materials, but student access is always free (30-day free trial)
- *Examples:*
  - [Quia website](#)
  - [Jessica's website](#)

# More online resources:

- Cool Tools For Schools  
<http://cooltoolsforschools.wikispaces.com/Home>
- Free Tech 4 Teachers  
<http://www.freetech4teachers.com/>
- Learn It In 5 <http://learnitin5.com/>
- ClassTools.net <http://classtools.net/>
- TammyWorcester.com [www.tammyworchester.com](http://www.tammyworchester.com)

# Questions?

- This presentation is posted on:
  - Farmington Technology Academy Wiki:  
<http://192techacademy.wikispaces.com/>  
*(Podcasting)*
  - My Farmington teacher website:  
[www.rschooltoday.com/dodgemiddle/jelee](http://www.rschooltoday.com/dodgemiddle/jelee)  
*(Farmington Tech Academy)*
- If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at: [jelee@farmington.k12.mn.us](mailto:jelee@farmington.k12.mn.us)